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Sinking Fund Account £129,230
£23,970,367
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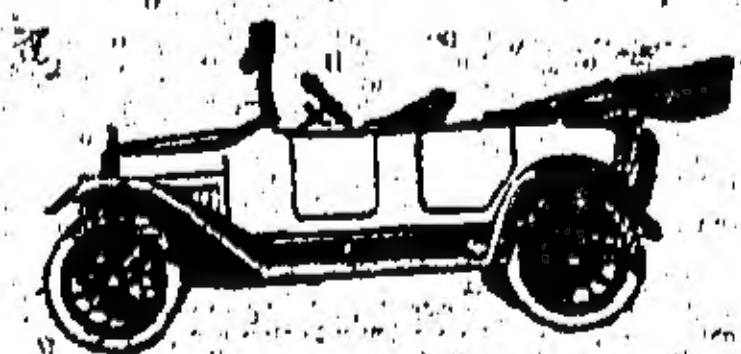
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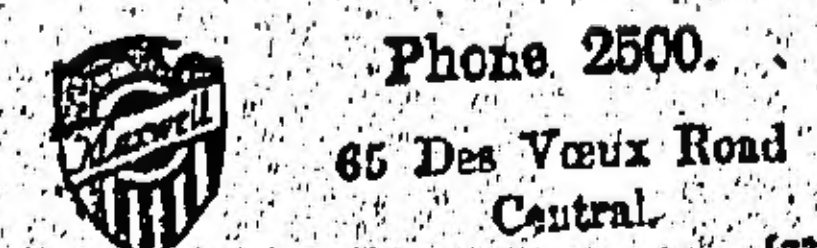
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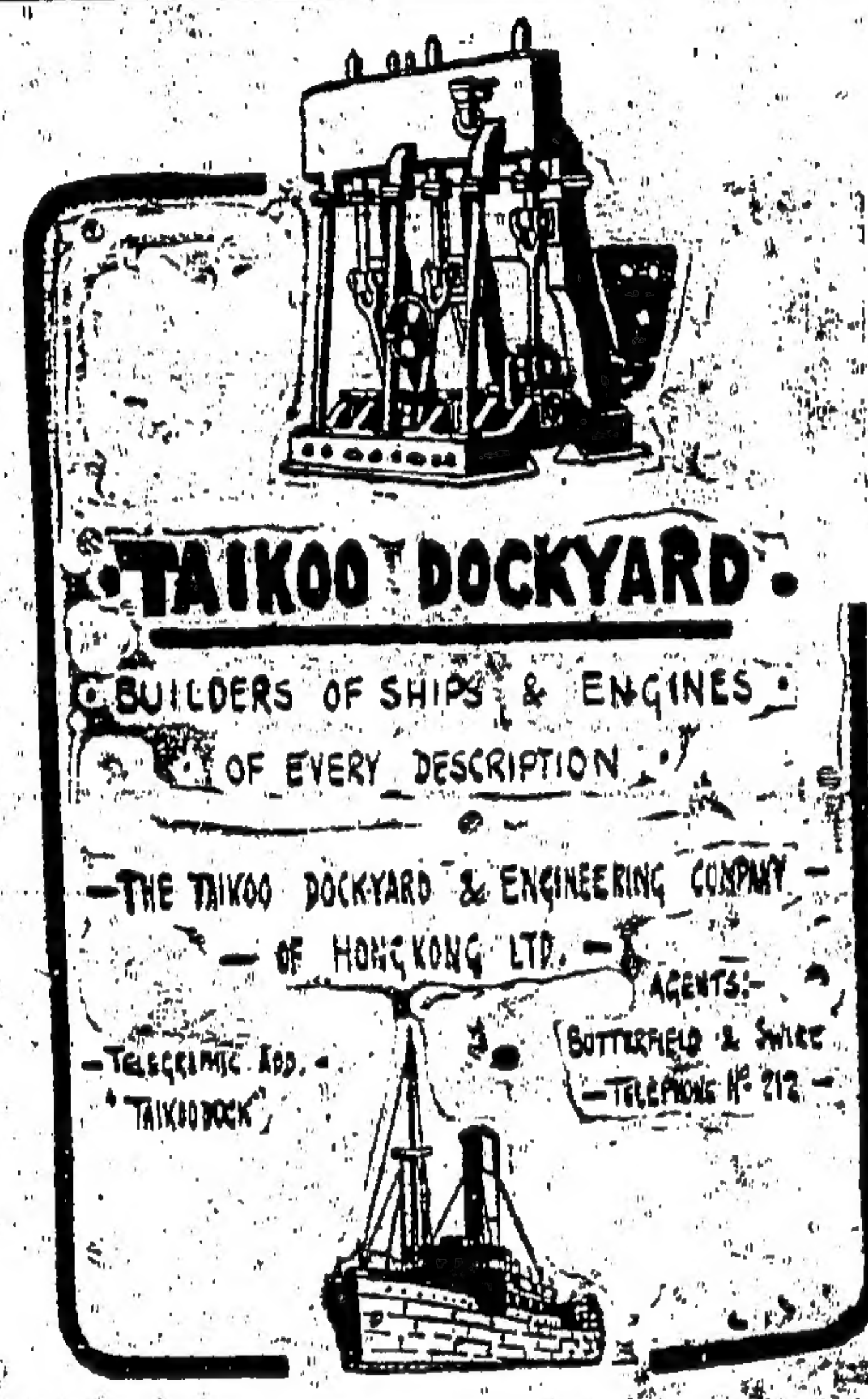
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN OFFENSIVE.

8,000 PRISONERS IN ONE DAY.

AN ADVANCE OF FIVE MILES.

London, Sept. 13.

An American official report states: This morning our troops operating in the St. Mihiel sector made considerable gains.

Assisted by French units they broke the enemy's resistance and advanced at some points to a depth of five miles.

We have so far counted 8,000 prisoners.

The operation is still in progress.

London, Sept. 13.

A French communiqué states: Westwards of St. Quentin, co-operating with the British, we advanced to the Holnon-Savy road.

The American attack in the region of St. Mihiel is developing under the best conditions.

AN ADVANCE OF FIVE MILES.

London, Sept. 12.

Reuter learns that the French and American eastern attack was from Ivery to Feyzinoy. The advance reached a maximum depth of five miles and included the capture of Thiaucourt, Pannes and Monsard.

Northwards of Monsard, the cavalry are pushing in the direction of Vigneulles.

Patrols reached the road north of Bois Communaux and are in the western outskirts of St. Mihiel.

Northwards, the Americans captured Combres and reached the western outskirts of Dom Martin.

The British, to-day, carried out a successful attack, resulting in the capture of the village of Havrincourt with the exception of the north-eastern edge, which is an advance of half-a-mile on a front of three-and-a-half miles.

GERMAN REPORT.

London, Sept. 13.

A wireless German official message states: Renewed English attacks between the Arras-Cambrai and Peronne-Cambrai roads failed. The French and Americans attacked at St. Mihiel bend.

The fighting continues.

BRITISH SUCCESSES.

HAVRINCOURT & MOEUVRES CAPTURED.

London, Sept. 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: Despite the weather, our operations continued successfully this morning in the Havrincourt sector. The English captured Trescault and the old British trench lines eastwards and northwards of this village.

On their right the New Zealanders progressed eastward of Gouzeaucourt Wood, overcoming obstinate resistance by a Jaeger Division.

At Havrincourt the 62nd Yorkshire, who carried the village on November 20th, 1917, attacked for the second time over the same ground with like success.

Other English troops attacked across the Canal-du-Nord northward of Havrincourt. After sharp fighting we captured the village and also the section of the Hindenburg line between the village and the canal.

Northward of the Bapaume-Cambrai road the Lancashire after sharp fighting, completed the capture of Moerues.

We took 1,000 prisoners in these operations.

We made further progress southward of the La Bassée canal and north-westward of Armentieres.

THE BRITISH OPERATIONS AT HAVRINCOURT.

London, Sept. 12.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, reporting on the evening of September 12th, says: This morning's attack east of Havrincourt was designed to clear out irritating enemy nests and generally improve the line along the series of spurs in the region of Gouzeaucourt, but something more was accomplished. Havrincourt being captured, also the important ridge and village of Trescault on the fringe of our old trench system, and about 300 prisoners were taken. Although artillery firing has increased considerably on this part of the front, unquestionably the Germans are beginning to feel the shortage of ammunition.

The weather continues very wild.

BRITISH BOMBING ACTIVITY.

London, Sept. 13.

The Air Ministry announces: Despite wind we bombed the railway at Courcelles, directly hitting the track. We also bombed the village of Vermy and the railway to the west of it with good results.

GERMAN PEACE OFFENSIVE.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VIEWS.

Amsterdam, Sept. 13.

The German Vice-Chancellor, von Payer, in a speech at Stuttgart, dwelt on the depression in Germany which he attributed not to reverses in the West but to the prospect of the fifth war's winter, with fantastic increases in State debts. He admitted that the co-operation of American troops had imposed a heavy burden on Germany. Submarine warfare had not worked so quickly and surely as was calculated, but he claimed that all belligerents were equally weary of the war. The question was which side would collapse soonest. It was undeniable that defeat and losses seemed only to increase the power of resistance in Germany's enemies. He concluded by saying: "Were we sure that no other State would be in a better position to regard Belgium than we, I believe I can say that Belgium can be restored without danger and without restrictions."

GRAVE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

London, Sept. 12.

Reuter learns that official telegrams portray an increasingly grave situation at Petrograd and Moscow. Serious fires are undoubtedly raging in Petrograd. Violence is rife.

The Government is still negotiating with the Bolsheviks as regards the release of officials, but the situation is delicate and anxious as no law reigns.

AMERICAN MAN-POWER.

13,000,000 ENROLLED.

New York, Sept. 12.

There were unprecedented scenes of patriotism throughout America today when the different pillars of Americans enrolled for war service under the new law raising the total of enrolment ages to 18 to 28,500,000.

GERMAN DESERTERS IN BELGIUM.

Amsterdam, Sept. 12.

The telegraph states that the confusion for the retreat of hundreds of German soldiers captured are now wandering about in Belgium and hiding in woods and barns.

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG HOTEL
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Provisions of the new Articles of Association of the Company, the Board of Directors have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the First Half Year ended 30th June, 1918, of THREE DOLLARS (\$3) per Share.

Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office on and after the 23rd September, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 12, 1918. 748

THE HONGKONG ROPE
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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE DOLLAR (\$1) per Share for account 1918 will be payable on THURSDAY, the 15th August, 1918. Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, Hongkong. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th August, 1918, to THURSDAY, the 15th August, 1918, both days inclusive.

SELEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, July 30, 1918. 733

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 25, WING WOO STREET, CENTRAL, HONGKONG, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of October, 1918, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the subject of the Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 13th day of September, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof, the Chairman thereof, Mr. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any Shareholder of the said Company at the Company's Office in Hongkong or at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., (the Company's Solicitors) at Prince's Building, Victoria, aforesaid, on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of Sept., 1918.

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APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of ACTING TEACHER of OPERATIVE SURGERY.

A practical course is required to be given during the Spring Term (January-March), 1919, at 8.30 a.m., on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Full particulars may be obtained from the Dean to whom application should be made as soon as possible.

Hongkong, Sept. 9, 1918. 738

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

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APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of ACTING LECTURER on THYROIDOLOGY. A course of 50 Lectures is required to be delivered during the academic year 1918-1919, at 4.15 p.m. two or three afternoons a week. Full particulars may be obtained from the Dean, to whom applications should be made as soon as possible.

Hongkong, Sept. 9, 1918. 739

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S
SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the City Hall, on WEDNESDAY, 18th September, 1918, at 5.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st August; of electing office-bearers for the ensuing year, etc.

J. M. GORDON,
Act. Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 742

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

MICHAELMAS TERM begins on MONDAY, September 16th, at 8.45 A.M. Entrance Examination on SATURDAY, 14th inst. at 9 A.M.

Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 743

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SCHOOL WILL RE-OPEN on WEDNESDAY Morning, Sept. 18. Boarders return on TUESDAY, Sept. 17. An Assistant Mistress is required for Upper School Work and Class Singing.

Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 744

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FRENCH AS SHE IS
SPOKEN.

ACCORDING TO CAPTAIN MASON.

[BY DR. CLAYTON CALTHROP.]

Captain Mason and his mate Smith were sitting behind what had all the outer-appearance of glasses of beer. Mason put down a wheezy pipe, and remarked usually to Smith that it was a great advantage to be able to speak French. "Makes the Entente more cordial," he said.

"I've heard you speaking the lingo," replied Smith. "And I once saw a dog look round as if he'd heard something queer."

"You miss a lot, Smith," said Mason reflectively. "Now if you wanted to sleep ashore how'd you get a bed—tell me that!"

Smith went through an elaborate pantomime of yawning, put one hand under his head, and blowing out a candle—all of which Mason regarded with scorn.

"Not a bit of use, my lad," said he. "All you've got to say is 'dormez-vous' and you'll get it, same as 'beer' means a drink, and 'amusez-vous' means matches."

A waiter passing at that moment, Smith pointed to the glasses and said, "Encore," and the waiter seemingly understood.

"You would know that word," said Mason, "and I suppose you know 'dormez-vous'?"

"Do you remember the last time but one when we were tormented?"

"Not likely to forget it," said Smith. "Not the time you swam back to save the bottle of whisky, I don't mean, but the time when the Frenchman pulled you out with a boat-hook."

"When I came to I told him what I thought of him," said Smith.

"I spent the night, more or less, with him," said Mason. "At least I had dinner with him and his mistress while you was in the hospital. We had a good yarn after, and that's what I mean by speaking the language. Of course he didn't follow all of what I said, and I got a bit queer about what he said, but we understood each other. 'Get gear,' I said, 'il est dijkant,' and he said, 'Oui,' and then a lot more, and then I told him how you and me had been tormented sink foie, and he said, 'Sink foie, mouge jew.' And just as we were really getting a few words in about the Huns, the warning went, and he showed me the way to the dug-out."

"I simply said, 'Vous avez saisi fraud.' I'd learned that off a French sailor. Then we had a long how-wow, and I forgot the bloomin' Huns, and then all of a sudden we gets the 'All clear,' and then I took her back to the boot shop, and one half of it wasn't there, and all the boots in the other window looking as silly as you please. But you see what I mean about speaking the language; it made it all right, otherwise, as I said to her, 'Kali difficulty aveo relations apris pour compromis le situation, See! I dumb easy to explain.'"

"Half a mo'," said Smith. "What will they do with only half a boot shop?"

"Keep it open for one-legged men," said Mason, promptly.

"You may be a liar," said Smith, calmly, "but you have a pretty thirt. Garçon; encore de beer."

"Avec un bonnet tete," added Mason.

A STRANGE CHAPTER IN HISTORY.

If America in company with Japan, does establish an Eastern front in Siberia, we shall witness one of the strangest chapters in the history of the struggle for religious and political freedom, says the *Daily Chronicle*. East and West will meet on common ground. Siberia and North America were both founded by Dissenters, by men who went into the wilds in order to worship according to the dictates of their own consciences, to live in peace and equity, far from the tyranny of unjust kings and oppressive political systems.

North America is the gift to the world of men who took their way westward, far from the course of Empire. The Siberians of to-day descend from men who fled from the land of the Tsars to escape religious persecution. They were followed by streams of men and women who thus snatched the bonds of serfdom. They were the founders of Siberia. The land which afterwards became a great gaul was first the cradle of Russian freedom. Now its people, with the pioneers of liberty in the West, may meet, and battle, side by side, for the emancipation of this world.

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North America is the gift to the world of men who took their way westward, far from the course of Empire. The Siberians of to-day descend from men who fled from the land of the Tsars to escape religious persecution. They were followed by streams of men and women who thus snatched the bonds of serfdom. They were the founders of Siberia. The land which afterwards became a great gaul was first the cradle of Russian freedom. Now its people, with the pioneers of liberty in the West, may meet, and battle, side by side, for the emancipation of this world.

"I simply said, 'Vous avez saisi fraud.' I'd learned that off a French sailor. Then we had a long how-wow, and I forgot the bloomin' Huns, and then all of a sudden we gets the 'All clear,' and then I took her back to the boot shop, and one half of it wasn't there, and all the boots in the other window looking as silly as you please. But you see what I mean about speaking the language; it made it all right, otherwise, as I said to her, 'Kali difficulty aveo relations apris pour compromis le situation, See! I dumb easy to explain.'"

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TELEGRAMS.

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MR. LLOYD GEORGE ILL.
CHILL AND HIGH TEMPERATURE.

LONDON, Sept. 13.
It was announced in Manchester yesterday evening that Mr. Lloyd George was suffering from a chill and had a high temperature. He will possibly be unable to fulfill his Lancashire engagements.

CONDITION SATISFACTORY.

LATER.
It was announced in Manchester this morning that Mr. Lloyd George's condition is satisfactory, but all his Lancashire engagements have been cancelled.

THE PREMIER'S SPEECH
AMPLIFIED EXTRACTS.

LONDON, Sept. 12.
Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at the Hippodrome at Manchester, quoted the *Frankfurter Zeitung* as quite correctly explaining the latest German defeat as being partially due to German ignorance of the existence of our great reserves. The measure of the German despair was that they were actually appealing to Austria. He again quoted the *Frankfurter Zeitung* to the effect that the military operations arising from Marshal Foch's supreme command had resulted in a precision and swing which had put a new phase on the whole Entente leadership. Marshal Foch was one of those rare men who get a telescope at the back of his eye. He declared that unless the image of victory was stamped on the coin of the peace terms, it would depreciate in value as time went on.

Mr. Lloyd George, referring to the importance of maintaining the solidarity of the British Empire, said the Empire had rendered a service to humanity, the magnitude of which should appear greater and greater to future generations. It had helped to stop the barbarism that was sweeping through Europe. To allow such an organisation to fall to pieces after the war would be a crime against civilisation. This British Empire would exist more next time than it did in the past, because Germany knew now what they had to deal with. (Laughter and cheer.) A great deal had been accomplished in the way of achieving practical unity, but still more had to be done in order to make the Empire a greater, concentrated, solid force than it was at present.

THE HEALTH OF THE PEOPLE.

Dealing with reconstruction questions, the Premier said the health of the country in the past had revealed startling, even appalling, results when the question of military fitness arose. The Ministry of National Service had informed him that at least one million more men could have been put into the fighting ranks if the health of the country had been properly supervised. If we had only had this war would have ended triumphantly ere this. In the course of his speech at the luncheon, Mr. Lloyd George asked: "Is it to be a continent of slaves or free men? The cause will win which looks far ahead into the future. It is better to sacrifice one generation than sacrifice liberty for ever more."

GENERAL SMUTS HONOURED.

LONDON, Sept. 13.
General Smuts was presented with the Freedom of Newcastle today. During the course of a speech, he said they were meeting under the happiest auspices. There would be a hard effort ahead but they knew the tide had turned. He was glad to know that his own countrymen from South Africa had borne their share in the great work. If there was one country on which Germany had its eye it was South Africa. Subsequently, the honorary degrees of D.C.L. of Durham University was conferred on General Smuts by the Earl of Durham.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 12.
Silver is steady. There is a fair demand on trade account.

GERMAN BARBARITY IN AFRICA.
COMMENTS ON THE LATEST BLUE BOOK.

LONDON, Sept. 12.
Mr. George's "terrible indictment" of the German treatment of the natives in South-West Africa is generally commented upon.

The *Daily Chronicle* says: "Whatever the future of other German colonies may be, it is impossible that South-West Africa can be restored to Germany."

The *Daily Graphic* says: "After such an exposure, the return of any German colonies to Germany would make the Allies partners in her unspeakable crimes."

The *Daily Telegraph* says: "Whatever ex-territorial colonies may be returned after the war, South-West Africa assuredly will not be."

The *Morning Post* says: "After this damning blue book, the Allies cannot in any circumstances willingly assent to the return of the African colonies."

The *Times* says: "Knowing the Germans as we do now, we could not restore any natives to their tender mercies without becoming deliberate accomplices of their crimes."

OBITUARY.

SIR SAMUEL EVANS.

LONDON, Sept. 13.
The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Sir Samuel Thomas Evans, B.C., K.C., President of the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Courts.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT BATTLE.

BIG NEW OFFENSIVE STARTED.

FRENCH AND AMERICANS
ATTACK VERDUN SECTOR.

LONDON, Sept. 12.
An attack on a big front in the Verdun sector has been commenced by the French and Americans.

LATER.
The French and Americans are attacking on fronts 12 miles south and eight miles west of Saint Mihiel.

ATTACK SO FAR SUCCESSFUL.

LONDON, Sept. 12.

Renton's Correspondent at American Headquarters at Nancy states: "The French and Americans attacked between five and eight this morning on either side of the St. Mihiel salient. The attack was preceded by a four-hour barrage. The southern attack was on a front of 12 miles and the western on a front of eight miles."

The weather is fine and there is a great concentration of artillery and aeroplanes. The attack has been so far successful, the enemy being back on both fronts. The enemy, though undoubtedly suspicious of our intentions in this region, were unaware of the time and direction of the attack. Our troops are immensely eager and fighting magnificently.

CONTINUED PROGRESS BY
BRITISH.

LONDON, Sept. 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig states: "Yesterday evening we captured Attilly, Vermand and Vendelles, and during the night progressed to the western outskirts of Holzon Wood. English troops carried out successful local operations yesterday afternoon in the Havincourt-Mosvres sector, overcoming considerable opposition. We crossed the Canal du Nord north-westward of Havincourt and established ourselves on the western bank eastward and northward of Mosvres."

During the night we captured a strongly fortified position known as "The Railway Triangle" south-westward of Le Bassee, taking a number of prisoners and machine-guns.

Desperate resistance by enemy.

LONDON, Sept. 12.

The enemy is offering a desperate defence in front of the subterranean portion of the St. Quentin Canal, which part of the Hindenburg Line is vulnerable to Tank attacks. The ground in the Gouzeaux-Epeby sector, where the counter-attacks have been most violent, rises to a height of 450 feet, dominating this portion of the canal. The British are steadily increasing their gains in this region.

The continuance of bad weather favours the German defence, but the French, despite the floods, are also pushing ahead. They have cut the German line between La Fere and St. Quentin and it is now expected that the artillery will resume its preponderant role in the preparation for future assaults on the Hindenburg defensive system.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 13.
A wireless German official message says: "English attacks in the evening against the Marquise-Havincourt Canal sector failed."

SUCCESSFUL RAID BY FRENCH.

LONDON, Sept. 12.

A French communiqué reports: "North of the Ailette we made a raid and took prisoners. There was artillery activity in the region of Rheims and Frenas. Two enemy raids in Champagne and Vosges were repulsed."

THE DESTRUCTION OF HAM.

METHODICALLY DESTROYED
BY FIRE.

LONDON, Sept. 12.

Renton's Correspondent at French Headquarters telegraphing yesterday, says: "Ham, the largest town in the devastated country which the Germans spared in their retreat of last year, has been visited with destruction even more complete and less justifiable than Noyon. They have methodically destroyed it by fire. The inhabitants were evacuated. Infernal machines were placed in the houses and fired by pressing a button miles away and the bridges were also blown up. Ham had not suffered by shell. Neither side was interested in firing on it and the only excuse the Germans could make, that it blocked the roads against pursuit, is invalid. The destruction of the bridges alone made it impossible for the French to enter the town until they were repulsed."

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THE PREMIER ON PEACE.

"THE WORST OVER."

LONDON, Sept. 12.

Continuing his speech at Manchester yesterday, the Premier said: "The news now was really good but there were steep gradients ahead. The tunnel we were passing through might be dark but it would be short. The worst was over. (Loud cheer.) There was no finer fact in the history of British industry than the transport of the Americans across the Atlantic. The Germans did not expect more than two Divisions of Americans, but hundreds of thousands were now in France, and the Germans knew it. (Laughter.) They were the advance guard of at least ten millions of the finest material in the world. In order to realise what had happened, we must contrast the advance of 1918 with the recent advance over the same ground. The casualties in the last advance were under one-fifth of those of 1918. The main difference between 1916 and 1918 was the unity of Command."

A LEAGUE OF NATIONS.
We had been extremely fortunate in securing for the supreme command Marshal Foch, who was specially fitted for the exceptional conditions of this war where battles were fought on a front of three hundred miles. Nothing but heart failure on the part of the nation could prevent our achieving a real victory. To end all wars we must impose a durable peace upon our enemies. Not only must Prussian military power be beaten, but the German people must know that their rulers have outraged the laws of humanity and that Prussian strength cannot protect them from punishment. (Cheers.) This must be the last war. A League of Nations would not in itself secure the world against catastrophe. A League of Nations with Prussian military power triumphant would be a league of fox and goose—one fox and many geese—and the geese would greatly diminish in numbers. (Laughter.) He was all for a League of Nations. Indeed the League had begun. The British Empire was a League of Free Nations. (Applause.) The Allies also were now a League of Free Nations and if after the war Germany repudiated and condemned the policy of her rulers Germany would be welcomed to the great League of Nations. But the only sure foundation of peace was the victory of the Allies. (Loud applause.) Peace must be such as to command itself to the common sense and conscience of nations generally. It must not be dictated by extremists on either side. We could not allow the Bolsheviks to force upon us a peace so humiliating as to dishonour our national flag and make a repetition of the horrors of this war inevitable."

THE FIRST LESSON OF THE WAR.
When a satisfactory peace is secured, we could proceed with a clear conscience to build up a new world. The first lesson of the war was the immense importance of maintaining the solidarity of the British Empire. There must be healthier conditions in our workshops. Bad health for the nation was bad business for all. We must pay more attention to schools and initiate the best conditions for production. After the war, but the war must first be won. (Hear, hear.) There were disturbing social economic symptoms all over Europe which we must provide against in time; then we should enjoy settled weather for the great harvest which is coming. (Cheers.)

Speaking subsequently at a luncheon the Premier, referring to the talk of peace by negotiation, declared, amid loud cheers, that there could be no compromise between freedom and tyranny. Raising his voice he added: "We will fight to the end."

THE ALBANIAN FRONT.
AUSTRIAN REPORT.

LONDON, Sept. 12.
An Austrian official message says: "In Albania we captured the enemy's position at a few points on Tomorica Ridge."

LIVELY ENCOUNTERS.
LONDON, Sept. 12.

An Italian official message says: "Lively encounters occurred south-eastward of Berat."

THE ELECTORAL REFORM FARGE IN GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 12.
The *Forwaerts* states that two-thirds of the Secret Committee on Electoral Reform appointed by the Upper House are sworn enemies of equal suffrage. The plenary House is proportionately antagonistic. Meanwhile the Socialists frame of mind is indicated by a party manifesto published in the *Forwaerts* protesting in the strongest terms in the name of millions of uninfluential supporters against continuation of the Electoral Reform comedy and demanding immediate dissolution of the Lower House. The manifesto proclaims the watchwords: "Away with the three class Parliament! Away with the Upper House! Up with universal, equal and direct suffrage! Long live Democracy and Peace!"

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THE NEW DUTCH MINISTRY.

COMMENT IN DUTCH PAPERS.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 13.

The new Ministry's programme includes partial demobilisation if circumstances permit.

The *Havelsblad* says the Foreign Minister has never given any ground for the supposition that he desires to deviate from the policy of strict neutrality. The Premier is the weak spot in the Ministry. The *Telegraf* regrets that a National Ministry has not been formed.

The *Nieuwe Courant* says the Foreign Minister is a pro-German and suggests that it is intended that the Premier's official assistant shall supervise the Foreign Minister. It describes the Premier as a second-rate figure.

RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.
BRITISHERS AND FRENCHMEN IMPRISONED.

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 12.
It is reported that eleven British and eleven Frenchmen have been imprisoned in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul at Petrograd, these including Mr. Lockhart, the British representative at Moscow, who was condemned to death but reprieved owing to the joint representations of Neutral Ministers.

TAX ON MUSICAL MEALS?
APPEAL BY MESSES LYONS RAISES AN IMPORTANT POINT.

If a restaurant proprietor offers his patrons music with their meals, does that convert the meal into an entertainment and so make it subject to the entertainment tax? The point was raised lately when Messrs. J. Lyons & Co. appealed from a decision of Mr. Graham Campbell.

Council said that the magistrate held that the tax was payable in respect of the music provided at the Trocadero. Appellants contended that the music was a mere accessory to the meals and no charge was made by them having special reference to it.

The Solicitor-General said that the 2s. 6d. charged for the music must have included something for the music.

Mr. Justice Bullen said that in view of the number of cases which might be affected by the Court's decision it would be better if the case should be reargued before a larger court at some future date. The hearing was accordingly adjourned.

WIRELESS HERO.
OPERATOR WHO GAVE HIS LIFE TO SAVE HIS SHIP.

A dramatic story of a wireless operator's self-sacrifice was told by Mr. Godfrey Isaacs at the annual meeting of the Marconi Company. A ship, when 140 miles from land, was attacked by a submarine, whose torpedoes happily passed under the stern. Soon after, the submarine appeared on the surface and shelled the ship for an hour, during which period the wireless operator remained in his cabin, got in touch with a land station, and was promised the immediate assistance of a destroyer.

"Sparks" still stuck to his post, in the hope of getting earlier help from a ship nearer at hand. The captain sent him a message that as the promise of assistance from a destroyer had been secured, he had better leave his main cabin, which was in an exposed position, and seek shelter. But the operator replied that he was getting into touch with an American light cruiser, which was likely to give earlier assistance, and would remain till he did so.

Within a few moments a shot passed directly through the cabin, decapitating the wireless operator. Later, when the captain and officers visited the cabin, his headless body was found in the chair with the completed message from the American cruiser written on it. Only the timely arrival of the American vessel prevented the vessel from being sunk.

TELEFUNKEN.
A HOME LIBEL ACTION.

The hearing of the libel action was continued on July 25th, before His Honour Sir Charles Darling, in which Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, brother of Lord Reading, is claiming damages from Sir Charles Hobhouse, formerly Postmaster-General, for statements arising out of the Marconi and Telefunken wireless contracts. Sir Charles Hobhouse gave evidence that while in Berlin he lunched with the Kaiser and visited the principal Telefunken wireless telegraph station. He made no proposal or offer whatever to the Telefunken company. Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, in conversation with witness, subsequently grumbled because witness had not visited the Marconi station. Witness produced a memorandum showing that the Cabinet vetoed the proposed Imperial wireless chain, because the War Office was of opinion that it would not serve any military purpose. Witness disagreed with that decision. The allegation that witness said during the interview with Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, "You have your foot on my neck, are you going to crush me?" was a poor fabrication. Mr. Justice Darling commented that one of the parties was telling a downright deliberate lie, and committing the blackest perjury.

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The speech delivered on the thirtieth anniversary of his accession—and a wise Chancellor would have suggested an inspiring message of thanks to the nation, a far-reaching amnesty, or generous gifts to the army as more appropriate—has at length filled this gap.

Harden appears to agree with Sembrat, who in "L'Humanité" said the Kaiser's intention in making the speech was to show himself the head of the Pan-German movement, and he goes on:

"Five continents now see in the German Kaiser a man who is determined to carry out the Pan-German programme. Important as it will be the effect on the Austro-Hungarian Parliament, which will not be long silent, and on our other allies, who in their cautious voices will protest against the idea that they are fighting for the triumph of the Prussian-German conception of the world."

Having filled at the All-English, and shown the bad effects of the speech abroad, Harden quotes from a noteworthy article in the "New Yorker Journal," advocating freedom for all nationalities in the Dual Monarchy, as "the present Austrian constitution is out of date, and further rule by means of it quite impossible," and saying: "even the slightest trace cannot for ever be suppressed by the mightiest."

"It is a new sun," comments Harden, "rising from that quarter? What unspeakable things Austria would have spared herself, spared friends and foes and humanity, had she recognized that four years ago. But that is passed. Nevertheless the day will dawn."

Having admitted that no President or Government of the United States could have acted otherwise than by declaring war when unprovoked Poland was introduced, he goes on to deal with the melodious speech of England, the United States and France, once enemies, now standing shoulder to shoulder and celebrating July 1 together. "Could Austria's ruling house," he asks, "celebrate in closest harmony with Prussia July 22, when in 1742 Silesia was taken from Austria? People who in freedom choose the way of their destiny can always reach friendship. Because the dynasty Habsburg-Windor does not indulge in incineration, and does not need to fester in the blood of the body politic the wound of 1776 is fully healed."

Harden then, with extracts from Lord Grey's pamphlet, signifies his support of the League of Nations and angrily disposes of those who anxiously ask if Ireland, Egypt and India are to be included. "That England is decided, and as her Colonies have already shown, to bestow the blessing of light of self-determination on all races grows out of infancy, only a fool can doubt; only an ignorant can assert that Lloyd George will not more surely stand and fall by Home Rule than Hitler by Prussian franchise reform, and that under the dictatorship of Lord French the spirit of the Irish has not more freedom of expression than our own state of siege permits."

Harden then delivers an onslaught on some of the Fatherland's mighty ones. Von Tietz he accuses of being guilty, as Minister of Marine, of more serious errors than ever have been committed in German history, and he rails indignantly at the Admiral's advocacy of "No treaties, no concessions, no promises, but only military, political, and economic force."

THE AMERICAN ENFIELD.

To American eyes the striking feature of the new U.S. rifle, says Mr. Edward Crossman, the United States expert, is its entire lack of beauty. The stock minus comb, but with a growth on the lower side that looks as if it needs the services of a competent surgeon, pleases no Yankee, while the dimensions of the said stock are still less pleasing. The wide receiver from top to bottom, and the great steel wing rising to protect the rear sight, give the rifle the graceful appearance of one of the Great Lakes freight steamers, which have a long unbroken run aft, then suddenly the high superstructure of engine-room and cabin. They are not ordinarily considered types of perfect marine beauty. The barrel of the new arm, like that of the prototype is 28 inches long, the weight 9 lbs. 10 ozs. and 9 lbs. 12 ozs. This is about 10 ozs. heavier than the average Springfield, which is alleged to weigh 8.3 lbs., but which usually goes a bit more. Much of this apparently superfluous hardware lies in the barrel, which is 1.31 inches thick at the breech where the German Mauser, for instance, is at the muzzle places, but one inch in diameter. Save for weight deliberately retained for purposes of stiffness, and the total weight of arms such barrel thickness is hardly essential. The magazine of the ordinary Mauser type, makes use of the bolt, that is cut off squarely, and is fired, similar to the Spanish and Turkish models of the Mauser, and to the Springfield. The latter rifle, however, has a magazine cut-off which operates merely by stopping the passage of the bolt far enough rearward to be caught up the top cartridge or to be caught by the follower if the magazine is empty. Thus the rifle can be used for drill merely by cutting off the follower. Drill without having the follower rise and interfere with the bolt is not possible in the M 1917 by the use of a small steel plate termed the following depressor which is grooved at the top to permit the sliding of the bolt over it and which holds down the follower out of the way. A feature thus explained in the American rifle is the fact that the magazine holds six shots instead of five like the Springfield and Mauser, and like the Springfield and Mauser, the bolt is actuated by the Mannlicher, Springfield, and Kragskov. The device for preventing the fall of the striker with bolt unlocked is merely that of the 1892 Mauser. It is in effect the theory of Sir Charles Ross as to the danger of cocking the rifle, and the upset of the metal parts. The right itself is a narrow little blade of but .05 inch in width, or the same error as found in the Springfield. It is set down between two guardian steel wings rising on either side of the bolt, and the little thing down below the wings, the right sight is the best fighting rear sight ever put on a rifle, with only the German Mauser as a possible competitor.

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